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The second regular Meeting of City Council was held on the above date at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers located on the Fourth floor of the Municipal Building. The following Council Members were present: Ruby B. Archie, P. A. "Pete" Castiglione, Jr., E. Stokes Daniels, Jr., Mayor John C. Hamlin, Jr., T. David Luther, T. Wayne Oakes, Sherman M. Saunders, H. Phillip Smith, and Vice-Mayor R. Wayne Williams, Jr. (9).

Staff members present were City Manager Jerry L. Gwaltney, Deputy City Manager M. Lyle Lacy, III, Assistant City Manager for Utilities Joseph C. King, Finance Director Barbara A. Dameron, City Attorney W. Clarke Whitfield, Jr., Assistant City Attorney Michael Newman, and City Clerk Annette Y. Crane, CMC.

Other Staff Members present were Police Chief Philip Broadfoot, Human Services Director Gwendolyn Edwards, Community Development Director Jerry Fischer, Parks, Recreation and Tourism Director John Gilstrap, Management Analyst David Parrish, and Tourism Director Rosalee Wrenn.

Mayor Hamlin presided.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Wayne Oakes offered the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag followed.

MINUTES

Upon Motion by Council Member Daniels and second by Vice-Mayor Williams, Minutes of the August 2, 2005 Regular Meeting of City Council were approved as presented. Draft copies had been distributed to Council Members prior to the Meeting.

VOTE: 9-0

AYE: Archie, Castiglione, Daniels, Hamlin, Luther, Oakes, Saunders, Smith, and Williams (9).

NAY: None (0).

PUBLIC HEARING - FY 2005-2006 BUDGET ADOPTION - nDANVILLE

Mayor Hamlin opened the floor for a Public Hearing to consider an amendment to the FY 2005-2006 Budget Appropriation Ordinance. Notice of the Public Hearing had been duly published in the Danville Register and Bee on August 9, 2005. No one present desired to be heard and the Public Hearing was closed.

Upon Motion by Council Member Archie and second by Council Member Oakes, Ordinance No. 2005-08.06 presented by its First Reading on August 2, 2005 amending the 2005-2006 Budget Appropriation Ordinance to provide for a decrease in the Electric Fund of

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\$570,350 and Budget Appropriation increase in the Telecommunications Fund of \$1,421,032 for the operational costs of nDanville was adopted by the following vote:

VOTE: 9-0
AYE: Archie, Castiglione, Daniels, Hamlin, Luther, Oakes,
Saunders, Smith, and Williams (9).
NAY: None (0).

APPOINT JOHN BLAIR AS ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY

Vice-Mayor Williams moved the adoption of a Resolution entitled:

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-08.04

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING JOHN CHARLES BLAIR, II AS ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY FOR THE CITY OF DANVILLE.

The Motion was seconded by Council Member Saunders and adopted by the following vote:

VOTE: 9-0
AYE: Archie, Castiglione, Daniels, Hamlin, Luther, Oakes,
Saunders, Smith, and Williams (9).
NAY: None (0).

APPOINT JOHN BLAIR - LEGAL COUNSEL TO POLICY & MANAGEMENT BOARD

Vice-Mayor Williams moved the adoption of a Resolution entitled:

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-08.05

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING JOHN CHARLES BLAIR, II AS LEGAL COUNSEL FOR THE DANVILLE-PITTSYLVANIA COMMUNITY POLICY AND MANAGEMENT BOARD, REPLACING THE FORMER ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY MICHAEL J. NEWMAN.

The Motion was seconded by Council Member Smith and adopted by the following vote:

VOTE: 9-0
AYE: Archie, Castiglione, Daniels, Hamlin, Luther, Oakes,
Saunders, Smith, and Williams (9).
NAY: None (0).

City Attorney Whitfield introduced the newly appointed Assistant City Attorney John Blair, who will assume the office on September 6. Mr. Blair replaces Michael Newman, who has accepted a position in the Commonwealth Attorney's office. Mr. Whitfield advised Mr. Blair is a graduate of the University of Virginia's (UVA) School of Law, and graduated with high distinction from UVA with a B. A. in History. Mr. Blair is a native of Blairs and is currently employed in Roanoke's Commonwealth Attorney's office.

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Mr. Whitfield acknowledged the presence of and introduced Mr. Blair's parents, Sandra and John Blair.

Mayor Hamlin welcomed John to the City's employ. Mr. Blair stated he looked forward to returning to Danville and offered to assist Council and the administration in any way possible.

BUDGET AMENDMENT - FY 2005-2006 - TITLE III-B & III-D GRANT FUNDS

Upon Motion by Council Member Castiglione and second by Council Member Archie, an Ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 2005-08.09

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2005-2006 BUDGET APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE BY INCREASING CERTAIN REVENUES TO PROVIDE FOR TITLE III-B AND TITLE III-D GRANT FUNDS AND LOCAL SHARE FOR SENIOR CITIZEN PROGRAMS AND APPROPRIATING SAME

was presented by its First Reading, as required by City Charter, to lie over before final adoption.

BUDGET AMENDMENT-FY 2005-2006-COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING GRANT

Upon Motion by Vice-Mayor Williams and second by Council Member Smith, an Ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 2005-08.10

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2005-2006 BUDGET APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE BY INCREASING REVENUE TO ANTICIPATE THE RECEIPT OF FUNDS FROM THE U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE OFFICE OF COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING SERVICES GRANT PROGRAM FOR A TECHNOLOGY GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$44,399 TO BE USED TOWARD THE PROCUREMENT OF EQUIPMENT, TECHNOLOGY AND OTHER MATERIAL DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE APPLICATION OF TECHNOLOGY IN THE CITY OF DANVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

was presented by its First Reading, as required by City Charter, to lie over before final adoption.

2005 TOBACCO INDEMNIFICATION & COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION COMMISSION GRANT APPLICATION

Council Member Smith moved the adoption of a Resolution entitled:

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-08.06

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF THE 2005 APPLICATION TO THE TOBACCO INDEMNIFICATION AND COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION COMMISSION FOR THE CITY OF DANVILLE, VIRGINIA.

Vice-Mayor Williams seconded the Motion.

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In response to Council Member Smith, Deputy City Manager Lacy said the funding applied for is the regular allocation from the Commission. Mr. Lacy advised that the \$1,508,781 would be allocated as follows:

- \$1,000,000 for debt service for the construction loan for the Institute for Advanced Learning and Research, and
- \$508,781 for continued development of Cane Creek Centre, which includes land acquisition and infrastructure installation.

Mr. Lacy further advised the Special Projects Committee met today and on Thursday the Committee would recommend to the entire Tobacco Commission that \$1,700,000 be granted jointly to the City and Pittsylvania County for additional Cane Creek Centre related expenses.

The Resolution was adopted by the following vote:

VOTE: 9-0
AYE: Archie, Castiglione, Daniels, Hamlin, Luther, Oakes, Saunders, Smith, and Williams (9).
NAY: None (0).

COMMUNICATIONS

City Attorney Whitfield welcomed John Blair as Assistant City Attorney and extended good wishes to Michael Newman in his new position with the Commonwealth Attorney's office.

There were no communications from the City Manager, Deputy City Manager and the City Clerk.

ROLL CALL

Council Member Archie inquired of Mr. Gwaltney if air conditioning would be added to the Community Market facility. She said she had attended an event there on Sunday and the extreme heat was almost unbearable. Mr. Gwaltney was unsure if installation would be cost effective due to the layout of the building and increased cost of electric rates. He agreed to take a look into the matter and report back to Council.

Council Member Castiglione said he had been approached about the possibility of placing library services in the Glenwood area. He suggested the Institute or placing it in the school or recreation center at Glenwood.

Mr. Castiglione announced Averett University's fall classes got underway this week and Danville Community College (DCC) would be starting classes next Monday. He reported that WSET Channel 13 would be broadcasting news from DCC's campus on Monday evening. He expressed appreciation to the staff of Channel 13. Mr.

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Castiglione advised by the end of the week, DCC's student population would be around 4,000.

Council Member Daniels asked if the lane closed on Central Boulevard due to repair work could be opened when no work was in progress. He asked if it was standard procedure to keep the lane blocked to traffic. Deputy City Manager Lacy advised the scope of the work was to repair the bridge joints and material used in doing so took several days to cure. Mr. Lacy said this would continue until work on both lanes had been completed.

Council Member Luther asked City Manager Gwaltney to investigate the possibility of providing Internet service over power lines. Mr. Luther welcomed John Blair to the City Attorney's office.

Mr. Luther, who is a member of the Institute for Advanced Learning and Research Board of Trustees, advised new faculty members were introduced during a recent meeting. Mr. Luther said he was very impressed with the new members, relating that some had relocated to Danville from as far away as Nova Scotia. He said the talent coming into Danville was phenomenal.

Council Member Oakes inquired about the common-sense nuisance code that had been discussed during a recent Council meeting. City Manager Gwaltney said development of the code was in progress. He said he has asked several Community Development staff members and others to come up with recommendations. The report should be ready in about six (6) weeks and would be reviewed with Council in an upcoming Work Session.

Council Member Saunders extended congratulations to the City's new Assistant City Attorney John Blair and best wishes to Michael Newman as he leaves the City and thanked him for his service.

Mr. Saunders thanked the Police Department and the Humane Society for their work in alleviating some of the City's recent vicious dog attacks. He said he had been receiving good reports from the community. He requested that City Manager Gwaltney provide information about the number of calls taken recently involving vicious dog problems and if additional resources were needed for resolving any future problems.

Vice-Mayor Williams thanked Michael Newman for his service to the City and extended a welcome to John Blair.

Dr. Williams said that work on the City's bridges could be a nuisance, but said the work is in response to Council's wishes of not getting behind on bridge maintenance. He said the bridge program was serving the City well by taking care of small repairs as they arose and not waiting until the cost would be prohibitive for repairs.

Dr. Williams said there was a lot of potential involving telecommunications, but the City needed to be very careful in considering the placement of the Internet system on the City's

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power lines. He said to do without careful consideration presented many potential complications, such as radio frequency interference.

Mayor Hamlin thanked Michael Newman for his service to the City and welcomed John Blair as Assistant City Attorney.

The Meeting adjourned at 7:27 P.M.

MAYOR

CLERK